

The Voice Of The Community • Dedicated To The Residents Of Deerfield Village

Presidents Report

Greetings Neighbor,

I want to extend my condolences to the Frazier family for their loss on July 4th. Don Frazier was shot with his own gun while trying to stop a burglar early that morning at his home on Amber Lake. The Security Committee and DVCA Board issued a statement about the incident, and a copy is in the security section of this newsletter. Please read!

We are redesigning our website to make it better. On September 1st, you will be redirected to the new site automatically. Over the past 6-9 months, we have heard that the website does not display correctly in certain browsers or versions of browsers. We also understand that sometimes you send us your email information, and later it is dropped from email blasts. To improve this, we had to upgrade the foundation that our website is running. With the help from Community Services and an outside firm, most of that is completed. We will be testing this during the next two weeks before we move over to the new site.

What is on the new website and what do I need to do?

• You will not have to change your link, it will redirect you, but if you want to go there directly, it will be www.deerfieldvillageonline.com

• You will need to sign up as a resident to receive <u>email or</u> <u>text blasts</u>, and to have access to restricted parts of the website.

• All Deerfield important documents are on the website, such as the Protective Covenants, Policies, Forms (such as

Architectural requests), etc. • Online Newsletters from current to going back to 2005

• Community Events and Meetings

• Security Bulletins or Alerts

• Calendar at a glance

• Access to Deerfield Facebook

• Link to Deerfield Scout Troop and Swim Team

• Future – Online phone directory (restricted to being registered)



• Future – Possible area to put items for sale (restricted to residents)

****IMPORTANT** – If you do not sign up on the new website, we will not be able to send you communications and email blasts. We now have the option to send via text.

Please consider donating a small portion of your time to Deerfield events or committees. We continue to need people, as we have a few committees that need help and/or have open positions. It is not a large commitment of time, and you will be giving back to the community in which you live. Please think about it, you can make a difference. Call us if you are interested.

The children will be going back to school this month, so be on the lookout for those waiting on a bus, and be cautious of your speed and surroundings.

Take care.

Please send all inquiries regarding Email alerts and Newsletters distributions to deerfield4@sbcglobal.net or contact the DVCA office at telephone number 281-463-2624. Do not send back to the website email as this address is a 'no forwarding/no reply' site and a response may not be forwarded back to you in a timely manner. Thank you for your assistance.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

| ANY Police, Fire or Ambulance Emergency . | 911 |
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| S.E.A.L Neighborhood Patrol | 832-408-0200 |
| Trash Pick-up | 281-888-3688 |
| Curb Damage (No Patio Home Curbs) | 281-463-6300 |
| Power Outage | 713-207-2222 |

| Flooding |
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| Gas Leaks |
| Water & Sewer Sewer Information 281-347-8686 |
| County Pets |
| Illegal Dumping |

Important Information...

Welcome to Deerfield Village

If you are a new resident in Deerfield Village, please feel free to stop by the DVCA Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:30am and 1:30pm, to obtain additional information about the community and the DVCA facilities. You may also wish to pick up a key to the Tennis Courts. The keys are \$25.00 each and the deposit is refundable when the keys are returned to the office. If you would like to get involved in your new community, a list of committees and their meeting schedules are available. More help in keeping the community vibrant is always welcome! For inquiries, you may contact the DVCA office at 281-463-2624, or email us at deerfield4@sbcglobal.net Visit our website at www.deerfieldvillage.net to learn more.

Receive emergency and informational e-mails...



If you would like to be put on an

e-mail list to receive emergency or last minute informational e-mails, please e-mail the office with a request and your e-mail address. deerfield4@sbcglobal.net

Keep Deerfield Bright at Night...

Please report Street Lights and Greenbelt Lights that are out to the DVCA Office. It is necessary to provide the pole number and the location address

of the pole that is being reported. Street Lights that are not on the Greenbelt and not in the Patio Home Section may be reported directly to CenterPoint Energy at the following website: http://www.centerpointenergy.com/services/electricity/residential/repo rtastreetlightoutage Under "Residential" section, choose "Report a Streetlight Outage" and fill in required information.

Recycling is Always on Friday Plastic, paper, cardboard, metal



Prearranged Pick Up: All other items, hazardous household materials. Weather permitting.

Residential Trash Reminders...

Please know that there is a 15 bag limit in regards to yard debris per service day. Anything over this limit must be negotiated between the home owner and Texas Trash Service 281-888-3688 Hours of Operation 7am-7pm Office hours 7am-4pm

Pick-up days are Tuesday and Friday. **Please** do not put your trash out until Monday evening or Thursday evening.



Nothing but water should go down our storm drains.

Please make certain that the grass/yard clippings along curbs are bagged. In case of a heavy rain, these clippings will be swept into the sewer system and

block the runoff water; which in turn will flood our streets.

Pet Hotline...

Along with a Rabies tag for ID, the most important is a tag with owner's phone #...since vets are closed on Sat. afternoon and all day Sundays. A tag



with a cell # is the best because the cell phone is usually with the owner when he is not home.. Marie Nugent Pet Hotline 281-859-1104

Deerfield Village Community Association, Inc.

4045 Deerfield Village Drive • Houston, Texas 77084 Office: 281-463-2624 •• Fax: 281-463-7679 e-mail: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net www.deerfieldvillage.net The Office Hours Are: Monday thru Friday • 9:30 - 1:30 Deadline for Newsletter: 18th of the month prior to publication.

Submit articles, photos and ads to the Recreation Center Office, or e-mail to: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net

Security Committee...

The Security Committee and the Board wanted to provide a summary of what we believe to be a fair description of what happened on July 4th as it relates to our Security Patrol (SEAL). We know that this question has been an area of interest/concern for many of our residents as shown by the residents who attended the Security Committee meeting on Tuesday, July 8. We have sorted through the information and statements made by our members, the media and SEAL to get an "as realistic and true" description of what happened.

Summary of SEAL Actions related to the alleged perpetrator

o SEAL did not "stop" or "question" the individual – just had a citizen contact and a conversation on the Green Belt where he told them his name and that he was staying with his mom who lived in the neighborhood.

o The interaction showed the individual as dressed in normal attire and acting coherently and friendly.

o SEAL observed no suspicious activity or reason to detain the individual

o SEAL demonstrated no "lack of training" or "authority" issue in this situation

o SEAL did not detain the individual as they did not have any grounds to do so

o Harris County Sheriff Office (HCSO) Sergeant Beall made a statement that SEAL did what they were supposed to do "He told them that his mother lives in the subdivision and that he was visiting and just going for a walk," Beall said. "They didn't have any reason to detain him, so they let him go."

o The fact that SEAL interacted with and was aware of the individual and his description assisted HCSO in the apprehension, identification and documentation of the timeline of the incident

o The SEAL officer spent several hours being interviewed by HCSO later on the 4th and provided details and specifics that assisted the HCSO case

Additional Support given by SEAL to HCSO

o SEAL was on-site and part of the apprehension of the alleged perpetrator

o SEAL assisted with the handling and watching of the perpetrator after he was cuffed and put in car and when the Emergency Services team checked the alleged perpetrator for injuries

o SEAL assisted with the HCSO management of the crime scene (both our normal Officer and the Shift Officer for SEAL who came on site):

- Worked with HCSO in the search for the gun

- Provided traffic control and blocking the street in support of the 25+ police and emergency vehicles.

o SEAL worked effectively and in support of the HCSO, Constables, State Troopers and Emergency Vehicles that were on site.

Overall, our assessment is that all the various groups assisted each other and worked well together.

Response to Concerns Heard about SEAL

o The only concerns about SEAL that were broadcast were made by a resident who is a member of the Houston Police Department and was not involved or had any authority in the actual law enforcement for this situation. He provided incorrect and/or uninformed statements about the events that occurred which added to the confusion and concerns of our residents who heard what he said. Hopefully this summary of what happened will help offset the concerns that were created.

More details on the actual crime and what the media reported can be found on the various media websites. Since there is still an active investigation and litigation is pending the DVCA Security Committee and Board will not comment on any of those details

DVCA NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Are you aware that Deerfield Village has a "Neighborhood Watch Program"? The Security Committee has installed important information related to the Neighborhood Watch Program on the Deerfield Village Website, (www.deerfieldvillage.net). The Neighborhood Watch program contains information that can help keep your home and family safe and secure.

The Security Committee is in the process of updating the Neighborhood Watch Program with current block captain and section leader information. This information will be updated on the Deerfield Village website soon.

The committee needs your help. It is our desire to be able to communicate with the block captains and section leaders as efficiently and quickly as possible. Therefore, we would like for all block captains and section leaders to provide us with their email addresses. These addresses will be used only for the purpose of communicating Security Committee related business and will not appear on the Deerfield Village website. Also, we are still in need of block captains and section leaders. If you would like additional information on how to become a B/C or S/L, please contact George Hintz, preferably by email (grhintz@att.net).

Thanks for your help,

George Hintz, Vice Chairman of DVCA Security Committee

Phone: 281-398-0533 • Email: grhintz@att.net.com



Deerfield Christmas Bazaar Committee...

36th ANNUAL DEERFIELD VILLAGE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

We are gearing up for our 36th Annual Deerfield Village Christmas Bazaar. Our dates this year are Friday, November 7th, 12:00pm till 8:00pm and Saturday, November 8th, 9:00am till 4:00pm.

We are looking for new and past participants. You have to be a Deerfield Village Resident and attend 3 of our meetings. Come join us at our first meeting and get all the information that you need. We hope to see you.

Our meeting dates are Monday, September 15 @ 7:00pm at the Rec Center, Monday, September 29 @ 7:00pm at Rec Center,

Wednesday, October 15 @ 7:00pm at Rec Center and Wednesday, October 29 @ 7:00pm at Rec Center.

For information, call Connie at 281-463-0750.

Feral/Stray Cats Information:

If you have feral or stray cats around your house, Deerfield Village resident Barbara Griffith can trap them and get them neutered or spayed. Contact her at (281) 463-6915 or griffdc@comcast.net.

Deeds Committee...

NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS WITH DFV PERIMETER FENCES:

Please trim and/or cut overhanging vines and foliage on your back perimeter fences. Moisture and rain seeping through the vegetation onto the fence will cause mildew and rotted wood which will result in fence repair or replacement.

Mud 136 Report...

by Jay Singleton, Secretary

At its July meeting, the Board reviewed the District's water and sewer operations during the previous month, as well as the garbage and recycling operations. Waste Management Corp has made its first At Your Door collection in Deerfield. From the comment cards we have received, we think this program for recycling hazmat/electronic items is being well received and should be very successful. A link to complete information on how to arrange a pick up at your house can be found on the front page of the District's website at HY-PERLINK "http://www.hc136.org" www.hc136.org. Also on the website is the latest water quality report. Along with your June water bill you received a brightly colored insert referring to it. We hope you will take the time to read report. One criterion that is not in the report is water purity. That's because pure water has no dissolved substances. It is only H20. Drinking pure water can be lethal since it has an affinity for minerals and will take calcium and other essential elements from the human body. But clean water is essential for good health and the water quality report confirms that the District is providing the cleanest possible water. However, the water is not suitable for aquariums or dialysis machines because it contains trace amounts of chloramines, which are added to prevent the presence of bacteria.

If you have questions or comment about this or any of the other District business, plan to attend the next District meeting, which will be held on Thursday, August 14 at the Rec Center beginning at 6PM.



Deerfield Events

Upcoming Events...

Texas Hold 'em Poker!

2nd Thursday of the month, 7:30 PM, at the Recreation Center...

Bunco!

3rd Thursday of the month, 7:00 to 9:00 at the Recreation Center

Ladies Social

4:00 PM to 6:00PM, 4th Thursday of the month. See you August 28th, 2014. It's at the Rec Center, and is an opportunity for the ladies to get out and relax... It is bring your own beverage, and sorry guys, but it's meant for the ladies...

Coffee and Donuts!

Friday Morning – Coffee and Donuts @ 8:30AM – Every week, and the last one of the month is paperback/dvd/jigsaw puzzle exchange. Bring one, take one. Bring a friend, make new friends, come have a cup of coffee or tea and visit with your neighbors.

Adults Only Night at the Rec Center

Saturday, August 9th from 7-10PM BYOB and Snacks. 60's and 70's music by DJ Chip Conner

Labor Day, September 1st

3PM to 5PM we will have the annual ice cream social in conjunction with the Labor Day pool event.

Music on the Green

Sept, 13th, 6PM to 9PM Music on the Greens are great opportunities for you to come socialize with your neighbors while staying in the neighborhood. The pool will be open so kids can swim while adults enjoy the music.

October 4th

Chili Cook Off and Music on the Green

Recreation Committee...

We had a nice July 4th event with a parade, games, food, and swim fun. People came and enjoyed the different activities through the day. We even had Bingo; although it wasn't as well publicized it was enjoyed by the players. There was also a balloon artist/face painter who made the event more festive. We want to thank BSA Troop 120 for their help, both with the activities and the flag ceremony.

Coming up next is the August 9th Adult Social. It's BYOB (bring your own bottle), and bring an appetizer to share. There is no charge. There will be live music and some set-ups. This is part of our new effort to have simple to run, low cost events, Hopefully people will will enjoy it and come on out.

In September on Labor Day, 3PM to 5PM we will have the annual ice cream social in conjunction with the Labor Day pool event. It won't be a pool party, but we will have a pool slide for the kids to enjoy. We will have Baskin Robbins ice cream sundaes for less than \$2 (at the store they are \$5.) So come on by the pool on Labor Day for a swim and/or ice cream sundae.

Also in September we are having our next Music on the Green, on Sept, 13th, 6PM to 9PM Music on the Greens are great opportunities for you to come socialize with your neighbors while staying in the neighborhood. The pool will be open so kids can swim while adults enjoy the music.

October 4th is the Chili Cook Off. It's being organized now, so more information will be forth coming. But mark the date. And we are looking for more participants every year. The Music on the Green that evening will start earlier, while the Chili Cook Off is going on. So come try the chili and listen to the music.



Texas Hold'em Poker Second Thursday

of the month.



At 7:30 pm, we start our reg-

ular cash game. Everyone is welcome to watch or participate.

Contact Bob Shortle, at 281-463-4589, for more information.

Deerfield Village Bunko Group



Meets the 3rd Thursday of the month, 7:00 - 9:00 pm at the Deerfield Clubhouse. Bring a Potluck dish and \$5.25.

Contact: JoAnne Maruca at 281-550-8162. Joann.rich@yahoo.com or Pat Rothman at 281-345-9355. RR1texas@earthlink.net

Pet Hot Line News...

FOR ALL NEW RESIDENTS WITH PETS:

Please call me for a Pet Hotline tag for your pet. If your pet gets lost and has the tag the finder can call me and I will call you and arrange to return your pet. Tags from another city or state make it hard to get your pet back as quickly asap. The Pet Hotline tag has my home and cell #. I keep a log with a photo, breed, pet's name, your name, address and phone contact numbers. A rabies tag is great for ID, but, many Vets are not contactable 24/7 and, the finder may not be able to keep your pet several days.

THINKING ABOUT OWNING A PET???

You may not consider owning a pet IF:

You don't have time to get it's shots and check for heartworm.

You don't have time to get a collar with ID and a phone # on a tag.

You don't have the time to walk it on a leash and pick up the poop.

You just don't have the time.

Marie Nugent: 281-859-1104

Date and Time of Committee and Board Meetings...

| Committee | Meeting Dates* | Time | Board Trustee | Committee Chair | Phone |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Community Services | 1st Monday | 7:30 PM | Bruce Bott | Rick Johnson | 281-550-8895 |
| Deed Restrictions | 1st Monday | 7:00 PM | Brent Burris | | |
| DVCA Board | 4th Monday | 7:00 PM | Eric Toureilles | | 281-855-0312 |
| Financial Services | 3rd Tuesday of the month | 7:00 PM | Stuart Cory | Mike Feeney | 281-859-4504 |
| Landscape | 2nd Monday | 7:00 PM | Arthur McDanel | Lynetta Morrell | |
| MUD #136 | 2nd Thursday | 6:00 PM | Eric Toureilles | | 281-855-0312 |
| Recreation Center | 2nd Tuesday | 7:00 PM | Louis Carpenter | Peter Howell | 281-463-1360 |
| Security | 2nd Tuesday | 7:00 PM | Larry Burkham | Ben Sommers | 281-855-9235 |
| Swimming Pool | 2nd Monday | 7:00 PM | Sigmund Potocki | Glenn Sommers | 281-855-7716 |
| Tennis | 1st Wednesday | 8:00 PM | Marie Nugent | Ray Sarmiento | 281-954-5133 |

* Please read the Committee Reports for Monthly changes in the schedule.

2014 POOL SWIM SEASON SCHEDULE

AUGUST 2014: Full Time

Day(s)

Monday (4th, 11th, and 18th) Tuesday – Friday (1st – 22nd) Adults Only Swim Monday – Friday (25th – 29th) Saturday and Sunday Adults Only Swim 1

Pool Times

5:00p.m. – 9:00p.m. 10:00a.m. – 9:00p.m. 10:00a.m. – 11:00a.m. 5:00p.m. – 8:00p.m. 10:00a.m. – 9:00p.m. 10:00a.m. – 11:00a.m.

SEPTEMBER 2014: 1st-14th; 20th, 21st, 27th, and 28th

<u>Day(s)</u> Monday – Friday Saturday and Sunday Adults Only Swim Labor Day (2nd) <u>Pool Times</u> 5:00p.m. – 8:00p.m. 10:00a.m. – 8:00p.m. 10:00a.m. – 11:00a.m. 10:00a.m. – 8:00p.m.

Come to our POT LUCK SUPPER on Sunday September 7th, 2014 at 5:30pm at the Rec Center Clubhouse.



Join us at 5:30pm to meet and visit. Dinner is at 6:00pm. Bring a dish to share with your neighbors...a Family Specialty Dish is always a delightful treat! This event is open to ALL Deerfield Village residents. (Note: there is a small \$1.00 fee per person to cover paper goods.) We are looking forward to seeing you there!!!

Financial Services Committee...

Meetings: Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm to review the financial status of our community. Note: There will be no meeting in August. The next meeting will be September 16, 2014.

| Financial status as of June | 30, 2014 | | | |
|-----------------------------|------------|---|-----------|--|
| YTD expenses | \$ 303,334 | 2014 Operating/Reserve Budget \$676,882 | | |
| YTD budget | \$ 314,729 | | | |
| Under/(Over) budget | \$ 11,395 | Designated reserve | \$766,909 | |

Expenditures: Actual expenses continue to be inline with budget. There doesn't appear any expense issues. .

Assessments: Through June 2014 we have collected 96.67% of the 2014 assessments. The YTD collection rate is 1.02% ahead of the 2013 rate.

Landscaping Committee...

Landscape needs volunteers! One meeting a month at 7:00pm 2nd Monday of the month at the recreation center. Come to our meetings so we can brain storm with you how to accomplish what we all want; a wonderful community to live in!



Community Services...

The Community Services Committee meets the 1st Monday of each Month. We encourage new members to join us.

HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT MEDICARE AND ENROLLMENT???

Medicare and its options can be very confusing to understand. The Annual Enrollment Period starts on October 15, 2014.

To help clarify what you can do and when to do it, come hear a presentation on "Medicare 101" by Virginia Hwang, a licensed independent insurance agent who is certified with several insurance companies for Medicare Advantage and Medicare Supplement plans. Bring along your questions and we will try to answer them.

THIS EVENT IS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.

Where: DVCA Rec Center Clubhouse When: Saturday, September 27, 2014 at 2:00 pm Session should last about an hour and a half.

Tennis Committee...

Great way to meet Deerfield Village Tennis Players! If interested, please email: deerfieldvillagetennis@yahoo.com along with your name, telephone number and skill level (USTA Rating or Beg/Inter/Adv). Ladies Tennis Anyone?

If interested, please contact: Leslie Rupard at sunshine463lr@gmail.com

We are committed to keeping our tennis amenities some of the best in the area, while getting the most "bang for our buck" on maintaining them. We are a fun group that enjoys our part in the Community Association. Anyone interested in joining our Committee is always welcome to come to our meetings on the first Wednesday night of every month @ 8:00pm. We look forward to meeting new friends!!! Contact: Deerfieldvillagetennis@yahoo.com

BONJOUR DEERFIELD!

If you would like to learn to speak French, NOW is a perfect time!

Meet with Christine, who is a retired French teacher with 30+ years experience! You will enjoy the weekly fun sessions!

Tuesdays from 6:00pm to 7:00pm Wednesdays from 11:00am to 12:00noon

For venue, questions and information, please call 281-859-1883 or 281-841-7554, email: ctoureilles@live.com





Deerfield Village Playgroup

If you are looking to meet other moms in Deerfield with young children, this is the perfect opportunity to.

Please contact: Amy Zimmerman at 512-762-9262 for more information on dates, times and meeting places.



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Coffee & Donuts

Every Friday in Auaust from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM at the Rec Center. We have a book/dvd/vhs tape/jigsaw puzzle exchange the last Friday of the Month. Coffee and Donuts is open to all human residents - come visit, sip coffee, and share what's happening.



Security Stats for July, 2014 ACTIVITIES

- Assistance Alarm Animal Burglary of a Habitation Burglary Motor Vehicle EMS DWI House Watch Vehicle Theft
- Information 3 2 Disturbance Solicitors 1 Susp. Activity 1 0 Susp. Person(s) Susp Vehicles 0 **Resident Interactions** 0 Dispute Call Center Calls 96 1

Emergency telephone stickers are available at the DV Rec. Center office 281-463-2624

Mosquito fogging has finally started.

We will fog late at night

on Thursdays.







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TOP TRENDS IN BATHROOM RENOVATIONS

The Master Bath takes center stage with 61% choosing to gut and start fresh. Most older and 1/3 of younger homeowners prefer to skip the tub and make a beautiful shower with frameless glass enclosures/modern tile surrounds/most add 2 sinks/solid counters/white cabinets with wood cherry cabs, also very popular. Tub lovers prefer a free standing or jetted tub. Why Renovate? To add value and meet changing lifestyles/better function/ storage and needs. Source: Houzz, 2014 Winter Bathroom Trends Study.

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